

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ) **INDICTMENT** CR 19-36 SRN/HB  
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Plaintiff, ) 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1)  
 ) 18 U.S.C. § 924(a)(7)  
v. ) 18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1)(A)  
 ) 18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1)(B)  
HURIAH KAREEM BLEDSOE, ) 18 U.S.C. § 924(d)(1)  
also known as Jason Kareem Riggins, ) 18 U.S.C. § 924(e)(1)  
 ) 18 U.S.C. § 931(a)  
Defendant. ) 21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1)  
 ) 21 U.S.C. § 841(b)(1)(B)  
 ) 21 U.S.C. § 853  
 ) 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c)

THE UNITED STATES GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

**COUNT 1**

(Possession With the Intent To Distribute Controlled Substances)

On or about January 17, 2019, in the State and District of Minnesota, the defendant,

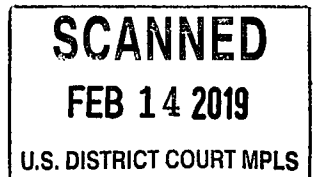
**HURIAH KAREEM BLEDSOE,**  
also known as Jason Kareem Riggins,

did unlawfully, knowingly and intentionally possess with the intent to distribute five grams or more of actual methamphetamine and mixtures and substances containing detectable amounts of marijuana, cocaine, heroin, and 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA), all controlled substances, all in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1)(B).

**COUNT 2**

(Possession of Firearms In  
Furtherance of a Drug Trafficking Crime)

On or about January 17, 2019, in the State and District of Minnesota, the defendant,



**HURIAH KAREEM BLEDSOE,**  
also known as Jason Kareem Riggins,

in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, that is, the crime set forth in Count 1 of this indictment, which is hereby realleged and incorporated herein by reference, did knowingly and unlawfully possess five firearms, namely, a North American Arms, model NAA-.22LR, .22LR caliber revolver, serial number VT12146, a Stoeger, model M3500, 12-gauge short-barreled shotgun, serial number 1533502, a Ruger, model SR40, .40 caliber semi-automatic handgun, serial number 34259312, an Imperial Metal Products, model 8, .22 caliber revolver, serial number 92550, and a Ceska Zbrojsvka, model 50, 7.65 caliber semi-automatic handgun, serial number 671369, all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 924(c)(1)(A) and 924(c)(1)(B).

**COUNT 3**

(Felon in Possession of Firearms – Armed Career Criminal)

On or about January 17, 2019, in the State and District of Minnesota, the defendant,

**HURIAH KAREEM BLEDSOE,**  
also known as Jason Kareem Riggins,

having previously been convicted of the following crimes, each of which was punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, and at least three of which were violent felonies or serious drug offenses committed on occasions different from one another,

<b>Crime</b>	<b>Place of Conviction</b>	<b>Date Committed</b>	<b>Date of Conviction</b>
Manufacture and Delivery of a Controlled Substance	Cook County, Illinois	07/20/1998	11/30/1998
Aggravated Assault	Cook County, Illinois	02/14/2001	04/24/2001

Second-Degree Assault	Hennepin County, Minnesota	01/31/2006	06/26/2006
Third-Degree Assault	Hennepin County, Minnesota	01/31/2006	06/26/2006
Domestic Assault by Strangulation	Hennepin County, Minnesota	01/31/2006	06/26/2006
Violating a Domestic Abuse No Contact Order	Hennepin County, Minnesota	03/12/2013	02/21/2014
Resisting, Obstructing & Opposing Law Enforcement	Dodge County, Georgia	01/12/2014	02/12/2018

knowingly possessed, in and affecting interstate and foreign commerce, five firearms, namely, a North American Arms, model NAA-.22LR, .22LR caliber revolver, serial number VT12146, a Stoeger, model M3500, 12-gauge short-barreled shotgun, serial number 1533502, a Ruger, model SR40, .40 caliber semi-automatic handgun, serial number 34259312, an Imperial Metal Products, model 8, .22 caliber revolver, serial number 92550, and a Ceska Zbrojsvka, model 50, 7.65 caliber semi-automatic handgun, serial number 671369, all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 922(g)(1) and 924(e)(1).

#### **COUNT 4**

(Possession of Body Armor by a Violent Felon)

On or about January 17, 2019, in the State and District of Minnesota, the defendant,

**HURIAH KAREEM BLEDSOE,**  
also known as Jason Kareem Riggins,

having previously been convicted of the following felony crimes of violence,

<b>Crime</b>	<b>Place of Conviction</b>	<b>Date Committed</b>	<b>Date of Conviction</b>
Aggravated Assault	Cook County, Illinois	02/14/2001	04/24/2001

Second-Degree Assault	Hennepin County, Minnesota	01/31/2006	06/26/2006
Third-Degree Assault	Hennepin County, Minnesota	01/31/2006	06/26/2006
Domestic Assault by Strangulation	Hennepin County, Minnesota	01/31/2006	06/26/2006

knowingly possessed body armor, all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 924(a)(7) and 931(a).

**FORFEITURE ALLEGATION**

1. If convicted of Count 1 of this Indictment, the defendant,

**HURIAH KAREEM BLEDSOE,**  
also known as Jason Karem Riggins,

shall forfeit to the United States any property constituting, or derived from, any proceeds he obtained, directly or indirectly, as the result of such violation, and any property used, or intended to be used, in any manner or part, to commit, or to facilitate the commission of such violation including, but not limited to, \$3,520 cash seized from the defendant on January 17, 2019, a North American Arms, model NAA-.22LR, .22LR caliber revolver, serial number VT12146, a Stoeger, model M3500, 12-gauge short-barreled shotgun, serial number 1533502, a Ruger, model SR40, .40 caliber semi-automatic handgun, serial number 34259312, an Imperial Metal Products, model 8, .22 caliber revolver, serial number 92550, and a Ceska Zbrojstva, model 50, 7.65 caliber semi-automatic handgun, serial number 671369. If any of the above-described property is unavailable for forfeiture, the United States intends to seek the forfeiture of substitute property under Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p); all pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853.

2. If convicted of any of Counts 2 through 4 of this Indictment, the defendant,

**HURIAH KAREEM BLEDSOE,**  
also known as Jason Kareem Riggins,

shall forfeit to the United States any firearms, ammunition and accessories involved in or used in connection with each such violation including, but not limited to, a North American Arms, model NAA-.22LR, .22LR caliber revolver, serial number VT12146, a Stoeger, model M3500, 12-gauge short-barreled shotgun, serial number 1533502, a Ruger, model SR40, .40 caliber semi-automatic handgun, serial number 34259312, an Imperial Metal Products, model 8, .22 caliber revolver, serial number 92550, and a Ceska Zbrojsvka, model 50, 7.65 caliber semi-automatic handgun, serial number 671369, body armor, and all associated ammunition and accessories, all pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(d)(1), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

A TRUE BILL

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UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

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